34904 - It is permissible to make pictures for essential purposes

the question

Are there some situations in which it is permissible to make pictures?.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

Making images and pictures of animate beings is completely forbidden at all times, except when there is an essential reason for doing so, such as a photo for a passport, or for identification documents, or to show pictures of suspects so that they will be recognized, or testing purposes, or when applying for a job, and other ways in which trickery may be prevented or security protected. In this case a concession is granted, only as much as is essential.